

Campaign for rent control referendum wins support

By Bob Dennis

A large gathering of concerned citizens met in Ringe Technical High School Sunday night to hear a progress report on the fight for rent control in Cambridge, and to arouse additional support for the program.

Speeches were presented giving data on the exorbitant rent increases in recent months, attacking City Council for hindering the drive for rent control, criticizing the moderate and ineffective methods of the Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, and lambasting the expansionary policies of the universities. The presence of the new NASA Research Center was given as additional evidence that Cambridge is rapidly becoming "the Pentagon of New England."

Referendum drive

The drive for rent control was initiated by the Cambridge Peace and Freedom Party and is currently being run by a group of about 100 citizens. The group reported that they have to date achieved about 3000 of the 8000 signatures necessary to bring about a referendum on rent control. The referendum would force the City Council to consider the group's rent control law. If the Council passed it, the law would go into effect. If, as is expected, the Council rejected it, the question would go within a month to a special city-wide election. The group is confident that the city would vote for rent control.

Besides charging that "the City Council has always kow-towed to the Universities and the real-estate interests and has never enforced the housing code," the group also asserted that the Council has actually attempted to prevent the group from collecting signatures in Central and Harvard Squares.

The proposed law of the Cambridge Rent Control Referendum Campaign stipulates that a landlord could charge no more than what the apartment rented for on January 1, 1968, and that he could not take away any services such as heating or maintenance which he was supplying at that time. The bill would not include single family dwellings or small landlords who live in a two or three family dwelling and rent out the remaining one or two apartments. Also exempt are public housing, hotels, motels, and rooming houses.

A critical feature of this bill states that if a landlord lets his housing deter-

iorate beyond normal wear and tear, or removes vital services and equipment, the tenant can ask the rent board for a reduction in his rent.

Other major points in the bill include the establishment of a rent board consisting of both public and private citizens, clauses that limit the circumstances under which a landlord can evict a tenant, measures that would prevent landlords from tearing down their existing units in favor of high-rise luxury apartments, and fines for landlords who violate the law.

UAP Mike Albert has stated that he supports the rent control measures, and that he hopes MIT will also lend its support for the program.

Resistance adopts program for social, economic change

By Larry Klein

Saturday afternoon in the North Lounge a well-publicized meeting of MIT's Resistance took place. Presented to the sixty people attending the meeting was a comprehensive proposed program of objectives for defining the future direction to be taken by the group.

A nine-page paper, the proposed statement of policy for MIT's Resistance is divided into three sections. In the first section, the paper develops the concept of America's capitalistic economy. Then, having completed its proof of this claim, the paper expands upon its theme of the corrupt nature of American capitalism by discussing its adverse effects upon all facets of American society—the poor, the university system, etc. Finally, the paper suggests specific goals for the MIT Resistance to adopt in order to combat the present corrupt system in America, and then follows these goals with a set of suggested plans for implementing the goals.

Goals and plans

The Resistance paper lists four proposed goals—goals for which the MIT Resistance should strive in attempting to change the present structure of American society:

1. We want the U.S. government to withdraw all American troops from Vietnam immediately.

Albert names Prather Vice President; Wattel to serve as Secretary-General

By Greg Bernhardt

Michael Albert began his term as Undergraduate Association President Friday by filling the posts of Vice President and Secretary-General.

Named to UAVP was Richard Prather, a freshman in Burton House. Prather, an active member of the Black Students Union, accepted the post Friday evening. When contacted Monday afternoon, he commented that his selection was a "surprise, to say the least."

For the first Secretary-General, Albert chose Karen Wattel. Miss Wattel is presently on the Committee for Academic Performance, Open House Committee, and Feature Editor of *The Tech*. She resigned her position on the paper Sunday evening when she made her decision to accept Albert's appointment.

Over the weekend, Albert began the task of getting the new student government started. After moving into the Inscomm office and changing its decor with a new array of posters, he announced that the office will be open all day long during the week to receive student grievances and suggestions.

Sign-up lists

On Monday, sign-up lists were posted on the door of the student government office for those interested in becoming members of committees to examine various problems. The areas include the housing crisis—both on and off campus—academic reform, structural or decision-making reform, job training at MIT, and the design of a program aimed at the rectification of grievances of poor whites.

The committees will be primarily concerned with compiling data and in-

formation which will then be used in formulating programs. The committees will be open to all, and will work without administration from above.

Albert also announced that two meetings to consider the election platform proposals were planned for this week. On Thursday evening at 8 pm in the Sala de Puerto Rico, there will be a mass meeting basically intended for those who support the proposals and wish to work on them. Another meeting is scheduled for Wednesday night, at which student grievances against the platform will be heard. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for 8 pm in the student government offices.

Another idea that will be considered is the establishment of a "free store." Albert explained that this would be a place for students to bring items that they no longer want. Such items would be offered free to whoever wants them.

While the issue of whether Albert was a registered student at the time of the election remains unestablished, Albert expressed confidence that he will remain UAP. Sunday afternoon, he indicated that he would make his final registration Monday morning.

There appeared to be some activity towards unseating Albert as petitions for recall were being circulated in East Campus. Albert pointed out that the effort would probably have no effect, because the recall provisions were aimed at removing the UAP after he had done something objectionable while in office.

Urban Action will sponsor local summer talent search

By Bill Roberts

MIT Urban Action, in cooperation with several local agencies, will sponsor a large-scale program of educational opportunities for low-income teenagers in the Cambridge-Somerville area this summer.

The program, titled REACH Talent Search, will be sponsored by Harvard's Phillips Brooks House, MIT Urban Action (formerly SSC), and Tutoring Plus of Cambridge and co-ordinated by Cambridge REACH, Inc., a community-based organization.

The Talent Search program will consist of three phases: search, counseling and support. Search will involve neighborhood groups, schools, and other social service agencies in finding the teenagers who will benefit from the program. Counseling will aim towards helping each individual assess his needs and choose a course of action. Support includes tutoring, field trips, scholarships, and seminar groups.

Student role

Student workers will be primarily involved in the last two, especially in the support phase. Selected students will serve as full-time, salaried personnel during the summer and unsalaried,

part-time staff during the school year. They will be chosen for their maturity, their ability to work with teenagers, their on-going commitment to volunteer work, and their ability to train others as volunteer workers.

Other efforts

In addition to the main effort, MITUA is sponsoring several other programs. Among these is a summer intern program to develop volunteers who will be able to work effectively with Tutoring Plus during the school year. The personal requirements and financial arrangements are approximately those of the REACH program, except that interns will work primarily with first to fourth grade children.

Persons interested in any of the summer programs should contact Tom Woodruff, x2894, or attend the MITUA meeting Wednesday, March 19, at 7:30 pm in the Student Center East Lounge.

Student nominations open for Baker teaching award

Nominations are now being accepted for the Everett Moore Baker Award.

The Baker Award is given each year by a student committee to a junior member of the faculty who demonstrates outstanding teaching and concern for students. Each faculty member who is nominated by a letter from a student who knows him is investigated by members of the committee. The award itself is presented to one or more untenured faculty members at the Awards Convocation.

Due to the inherent difficulty in

assessing teaching ability, the Baker Award serves the vital function of informing senior faculty members concerning the teaching abilities of the junior members of their department. According to most department chairmen, teaching is an important consideration when the time comes to determine which junior members of the faculty are to receive tenure.

Letters of nomination are now being accepted by the committee and should be sent either to committee chairman Mickey Warren at AEPi or to *The Tech* W20-483.

SW will feature Joplin, Rush

Janis Joplin, Tom Rush, and Gordon Lightfoot will highlight Spring Weekend '69, April 25 and 26, along with Chuck Berry, who is familiar to anyone who has ever attended an MIT weekend.

Tom Rush's two concerts in Kresge Friday evening will lead off the Week-

end's entertainment lineup. Featured along with Rush will be Eric Erickson, a relatively new folk-singer. Baker House will hold a party featuring the Frumious Bandersnatch on Friday evening, which will be open to all couple attending Spring Weekend.

Janis Joplin, formerly with Big

Brother and the Holding Company, will appear Saturday afternoon in the Armory with her own group. Gordon Lightfoot, a well-known Canadian folk-singer, will also be featured during the Saturday concert. In addition, a light show is scheduled for the concert.

Saturday night's beer-blast (with Mickelob instead of the usual) will see Chuck Berry back again. Chuck, a tradition at MIT beer-blasts, has probably lessened more inhibitions than anyone can count. The Chantilly Lace will back him up.

The Marx Brothers, W.C. Fields, and other old-time movies will be shown all day Sunday in the Sala de Puerto Rico for couples attending Spring Weekend.

Tickets for Spring Weekend '69 will be on sale from all living group social chairmen. A full ticket will cost seventeen dollars. Partial tickets will be on sale around the tenth of April. It is believed that the demand for partials will be especially great for the Janis Joplin concert.

Further information may be obtained from either of the co-chairmen: Russ Apfel or Steve Chamberlain. Inter-Fraternity Council and Dormitory Council are sponsoring Spring Weekend.



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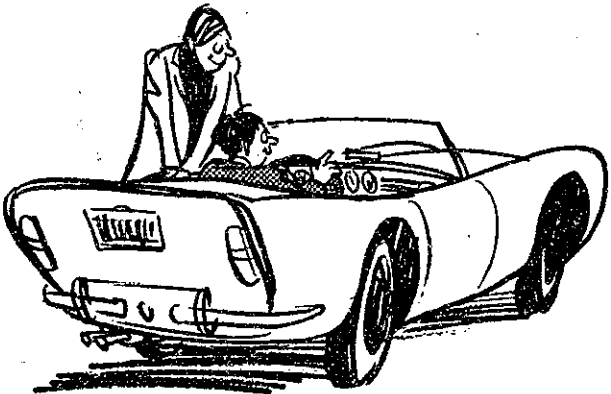
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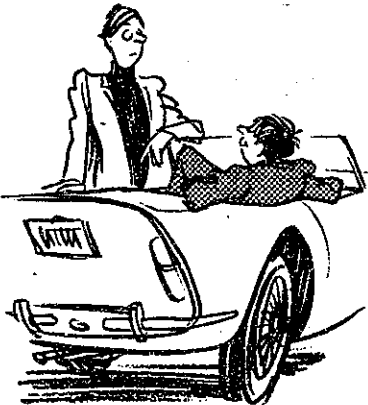
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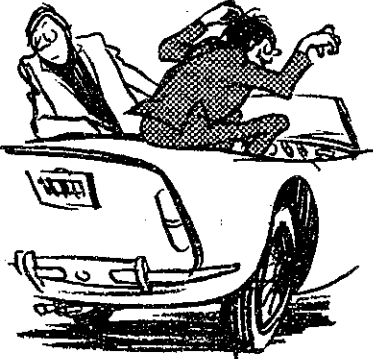




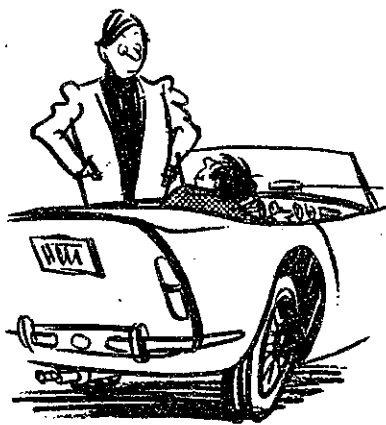
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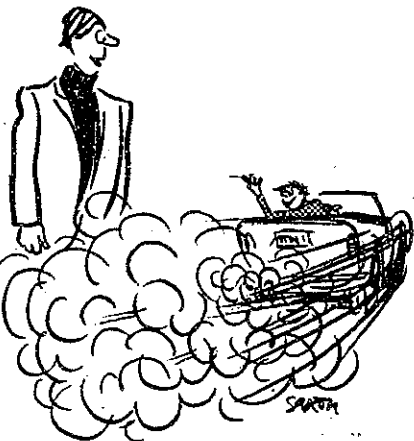
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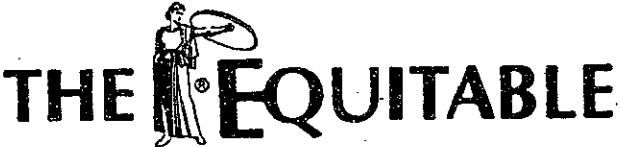


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Firemen inspect scene of rubbish fire which struck the Student Center Sunday. The fire was quickly extinguished by an employee, but not before a full force of firemen arrived.

There was yet another rubbish fire in the basement of the Student Center Sunday afternoon.

The fire was in one of the dumpsters which are kept in the corridor to the freight elevator. There was a great deal of smoke but no apparent damage. According to various accounts, there have been between two and six other fires in the same place since the building has been in operation.

A cook in the Dining Service kitchen smelled the smoke, walked out into the corridor, and saw flames coming from the dumpster. Another worker began using a fire hose to put out the fire. The flow sensors on the hose system turned on fire bells in the building and summoned the Cambridge Fire Department.

Deputy Fire Chief Healey, who answered the call, commented that the garbage dumpsters are a fire hazard, and that something should be done to correct the situation. He speculated that a carelessly tossed cigarette butt had started the blaze.

Irvin Curtis, Assistant Manager of the Student Center, said that there was not an unusually large amount of rubbish in the basement at the time of the blaze. He said that a disposal contractor hauls off the rubbish every day except Sunday.

Donald Whiston, Associate Director of Physical Plant Operations, said that a compactor will be installed in the Student Center within two or three months. A compactor will reduce the volume of the rubbish and thus reduce the fire hazard.

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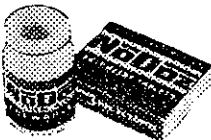
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Requirements: round two

The proposal calling for abolition of all Institute requirements, which will be voted upon at the faculty meeting, offers an idealized vision of what an education should be.

The situation which is envisioned by those who prepared the proposal is something of an academic never-never land. A student comes to the Institute and is met by his advisor, who is intensely concerned about the student's future. The advisor endeavors to assist the student in setting up a personalized educational program that fits his interests. If he chose to do so, a student could, of course, take the sequence of courses now required. If not, he would set up a program determined by his own needs.

In either case, because he is taking a program of his own choice, the student will not need the carrot-and-stick motivation of the grading system as an incentive for high performance. The granting of degrees in the various specialties would, of course, remain contingent upon the student's completing a required number of courses in that area.

Few would argue against such a system if, indeed, it would work according to theory.

However, before such a program can be instituted, there are a number of questions which must be answered. Where, for instance, are all the concerned, informed advisors needed in such a system to come from? Does the average incoming freshman know himself well enough to be able to set up a meaningful program? Can the average student do just as well in his work without grades to propel him forward?

In considering such a change, we must also consider the Institute: what long-term effects would such a major change have upon it? Assuming, for the moment, that this is to remain an Institute of Technology—would eliminating requirements change that character?

While it would certainly be premature to eliminate requirements now, the proposal to do so is based upon an idealistic educational philosophy which the faculty should consider as it formulates educational policy.

Unsafeguard

We must confess that we are bewildered by the logic of President Nixon's decision to deploy a "thin" Sentinel ABM system around some of our ICBM sites.

It is a difficult thing to make a case for a thick system to protect our deterrent from the Soviets; it is also difficult to justify a thin system around population centers to protect against the Chinese. However, a thin system around missile sites as proposed by Nixon is neither large enough to protect the deterrent from the Soviets or placed properly to protect our cities from the Chinese.

If we are defending against an attack by the Chinese (or any other small nuclear power) with a "thin" shield, the missiles should defend the cities to prevent massive loss of life. If the Chinese choose to attack some of our missiles, they will gain nothing; they will create no terror and they cannot possibly destroy enough of our retaliatory force to prevent their own destruction.

On the other hand, if we are trying to defend against the Russians, we must protect our missile force in order to preserve our second-strike capability. However, most authorities agree that a "thin" system of the magnitude proposed by Nixon will be

far too small to have any major effect against a Soviet attack. Besides, most of our deterrent is cruising on submarines, effectively out of danger from ICBM attack.

Thus, the system proposed by Nixon is even less defensible than either of the previous ABM plans we have seen, which are none too convincing. Even assuming that Sentinel works at all (which is questionable), an anti-Chinese force around cities could easily be circumvented by a low-trajectory missile launched from a submarine offshore or a bomb brought into a harbor on board a merchant ship. A "thick" anti-Russian system around our missile sites could be overwhelmed by decoys and would be enormously expensive. If the anti-Russian system were deployed around cities as well, it would cause the Russians to doubt their ability to inflict an effective second strike and wonder whether we might be planning a first strike. Another round of the arms race would ensue.

Thus, we do not seem to be effectively protecting ourselves from anything. What is more likely is that Nixon is protecting himself from the pressures from the military, the Defense Department, and the aerospace industry with \$6 billion of the taxpayers' money.

Letters to The Tech

Advisory System

A Professor

To the Editor:

Warmest congratulations on your two excellent editorials on the Advisory Systems and on Pass-Fail. Although it is still too early to predict what the effects of Pass-Fail will be, it is becoming apparent that one of them will be a healthy overhauling of the Freshman Advisory System. At present, only a fraction of our Freshman Advisors do a job that may be considered satisfactory by present standards, let alone by the standards that they will be required to meet in the next years.

Our most pressing problem now is how to improve the quality and simultaneously increase the number of our Freshman Advisors next Fall, and this letter is a cry for help to the MIT community. Before I proceed to the formal requests to Department Heads for delivery of their quota of advisors, as is "de rigueur," I would like to receive from as many students as are interested and from any other members of the MIT community confidential suggestions of names of candidates for Freshman Advisors for the Fall of this year. Most students know some names of teachers or members of the Administration who would make good Freshman Advisors. I am asking that they jot down these names and send them to the Office of the Freshman Advisory Council, Room 7-133.

The following categories of people will qualify as Freshman Advisors next year:

- 1) Anyone with the rank greater than or equal to Assistant Professor;
 - 2) Any full-time member of the Administration;
 - 3) Any Graduate Teaching Assistant who has taught for at least one year and has been an MIT undergraduate.
- All suggestions will be treated as confidential, and will have to be cleared with Department Heads, etc. (that'll be our job).

We look forward to the response to this letter from the students as a measure of their concern for an immediate up-grading of the Freshman Advisory System.

Gian-Carlo Rota
Chairman, Freshman Advisory Council
and a Parent

To the Editor:

As a parent of an MIT student, Tech subscriber, and one concerned about your generation, I would be interested to hear what your goals in life are.

After 46 years of deliberation, it seems to me that one worthwhile goal is Happiness and helping to create this for

others. Your goal appears to be to create the opposite for yourself and others.

I agree that many problems need solutions, but do you always see only the hole instead of the donut? Why do you only condemn and seldom condone? Are you aware that you can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar? Or that an ounce of recognition can do more good than a pound of criticism? And how often do your specifications for a better mousetrap proceed or accompany your trip to the garbage can with the present mousetrap?

Your generation often comments on the apathy of ours—do you know the why for ours? I'm firmly convinced that it's because news media so thoroughly floods us with "What's Wrong" while seldom commending anyone or anything that you eventually kill all of our incentives by drowning us in pessimism.

But your editorial on "The Advisory System" overcame my apathy. I have to know if an MIT student really has to have someone read the catalog to him? Or tell him in which "field of en-

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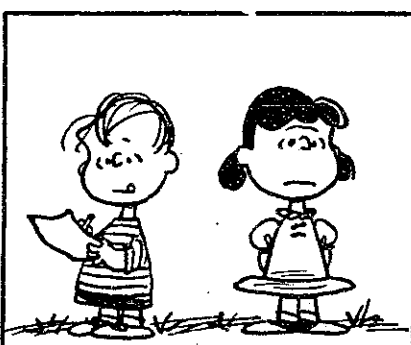
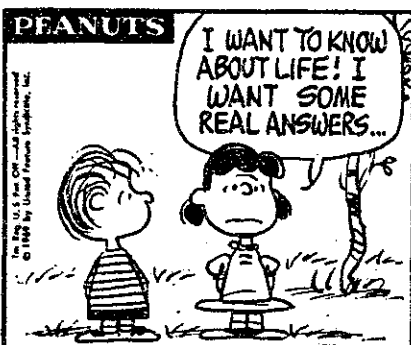
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Artists challenge exploitation

by Karen Wattel

Another element of the MIT campus has drawn up a list of proposals and submitted them to the authorities. Takis Vassilakis, an artist-in-residence at MIT's Center for Advanced Visual Studies, is spokesman for a small group of artist and critics demanding changes in museum policy.

Among the 13 proposals they submitted to the Museum of Modern Art last week are: that the Museum open an exhibition gallery for the work of black artists; that it pay a rental fee to artists whose works were being exhibited; and that it hold a public hearing on the topic "The Museum's Relationship to Artists and Society."

Bates Lowry, director of the museum, agreed to form a Special Committee on Artist Relations "to explore problems concerning the relationships of artists and museums." According to an article in the New York Times, the committee would hold a series of public hearings and make available the records of all proceedings to anyone interested.

30 not representative

However, in an interview with The Tech last Thursday Takis noted that the personal letter his group received "doesn't mention the public hearing." He added, "They want to close the committee and then to publicize the results. But you can't close the hearings to 30 artists only; there are thousands of artists. The 30 can never be representative."

Very different points might come up in the public hearing," Takis continued. "Art historians, anyone, should come in and speak on what he thinks will help better relations. The museum people should be glad that we help them to be synchronized. But they hear something; otherwise they would schedule public hearings right away."

Sit-in possible

Unless further action is taken on the public hearing, Takis and his group are "determined to force the situation" with a sit-in. They estimate that they would have "at least 300 supporters" with them.

Takis has protested before, "but the

timing this time was beautiful." During the recent exhibition of "The Machine" at the Museum of Modern Art, Takis walked into the museum one afternoon and removed his work being shown in the museum's garden, protesting that it had been displayed

today can and should be playing, according to Takis. "We should build museums for educational reasons, for promoting the spirit of the living artist. Without art there can be no civilized society. There are too few museums now; more should be built. They



Photo by Alfred Anderson, courtesy of Technique

Takis with one of his sound and magnet sculptures in Hayden Gallery.

against his wishes. (The piece had been purchased from him in 1962 and donated to the museum.) He and his friends waited with the sculpture until they were allowed to talk to Lowry, and it was agreed that the work was to be placed in storage.

To stimulate dialogue

The action then was "a symbolic act to stimulate more meaningful dialogue between museum directors, artists, and the public. Takis sees directors today as "having enormous power over artists" and wishes "to put an end to this power, to paralyze directors and awaken artists."

"Every profession is protected today but the artist," said Takis. "Times have been better for the artist, when he used to be hired by the government or community. It was much more healthy than exhibiting in a museum."

But there is a role that the museums

should promote and encourage artists to develop"

Museums discouraging

"There are not enough artists either," Takis continued. "It is because museums are now discouraging. Museums have pay him; they think of the artist only as a victim who will never raise his voice."

"What concerns me most," said Takis, "is that the museums create sections for the artist without his own gallery, who is not known. Exhibits could be changed every week or 15 days. If the museums have such small budgets, why do they spend so much for one artist?"

Lapsing into a personal tone, Takis said somewhat bitterly, "I don't need them. I get my food; it's enough for me. When I needed them, they weren't there."



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Young college men are falling victim to the disease everywhere! Lenny S. Dixon, a sophomore, fainted in Fencing Class when approached by the girl he's been dying to go out with. Oscar Grass, a senior, was afflicted with rapidly rolling eyeballs when the girl of his dreams asked him for a date. Other male students, upon being asked out, were found involuntarily kicking up their heels, yelling "Zowee," etc.

The newspaper is collecting stories and photos for following articles on such occurrences. Let us know when CHARITYITIS strikes you!

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rock... 'Towers open fire' - PR and hype

By Steve Grant

Any good pressagent can brainwash the gullible people who are buying rock 'n' roll records these days. Rock, like baseball and the movies, depends heavily on a star system - cults of greatness. And nobody falls for it any more with the movies.

Elsewhere on this page, Bill Serovy '71 remarks that Janis Joplin, being thoroughly human, cannot live up to any of her press notices, which make her out as a deity.

How many people would like Cream's version of "Spoonful" in-

cluded on Wheels of Fire without the barrage of raves that accompanied its release? How many people would consider Eric Clapton the best guitarist who ever lived (what a joke) if they hadn't been told to think so?

John F. Kennedy said, "Where there is smoke, there is usually a smoke-making machine." So these men sit on Madison Avenue or Sunset Boulevard, manufacture smoke, and forget about the fire. Janis Joplin's smoke gets seen more than Nina Simone's, but she ain't got near the fire.

Promo is a depressing thing to think about. It brings about people like Led

Zeppelin, Al Kooper, Big Brother, and most of all the Beatles. These people are strictly lightweight, not to be taken as anything more than froth. So you think Ginger Baker is the best drummer in the world? The average good jazz drummer can play rings around him.

Likewise, most rock musicians, if not every last one, would get laughed out of any good jazz jam session. The Jefferson Airplane, who certainly make worthwhile music, are simply not the be-all and end-all of music. It is high time rock fans caught on to the plain impotence of just about all rock.

Not that the "lewd jungle rhythms" haven't got their place. Probably, they aren't lewd enough. But to compare the Beatles' "Yesterday" to Stravinsky's "Symphony of Psalms" is not much different from comparing *Spider-Man* to *Ulysses*. All four can be enjoyable, but some afford you a much more powerful high than do the others.

Which leads us back to the beginning again. A high that is mapped out for its recipient is no kind of high at all. And presumably, that's what rock 'n' roll should be - a healthy vehicle towards a high.

Talking Rock

By Bill Serovy

Records by Jack Bruce, the Beatles, and Bob Dylan are now on tape and should be released within the next couple of months. A little about each:

Bruce's record has been ready for some time now, but won't appear until after he has cut still another album. This one, "Jack Bruce and His Friends," was taped before the breakup of Cream, and is a free-style instrumental, with Bruce playing acoustic bass. He doesn't feel that the album would be too well received now, so a more conventional record will be out first to pave the way.

The new Beatles album will be very simple and feature the use of acoustic instruments. Previous work of this type has been of high quality, so the record should be interesting, at least.

Dylan went to Nashville to cut his new record and spent quite a bit of time jamming with Johnny Cash. Two songs on the album feature Cash, with a possible joint album on tape from the sessions.

Janis Joplin may have been promoted out of a future. After all the fantastic predictions and publicity, she would have had to be a mere goddess to meet specs. But although she thinks each performance is an improvement, she hasn't lived up to the rumors. This is due partly to difficulty with her backup group, but mostly because nobody could be as good as Janis was supposed to be.

CJ and the new Fish are trying hard to keep a good thing going. One reason for the reconstitution of the group was the arrest of lead guitarist Barry Melton for growing that kind of grass in his front yard. Another rumor concerning Eric Clapton's new group is that the new drummer to join Clapton and Winwood will be an old drummer: Ginger Baker.

Johnny Winter, the blues guitarist from Texas, has been signed to a five-year contract with Columbia. In the process, he turned down a \$500,000 offer from RCA Victor. Joe Namath, where are you?

Random
Score one more for the record companies - this time it's London. The redone cover for "Beggars Banquet" claimed incorrectly that all the songs were Jagger/Richard compositions, although the original correctly credited Rev. Robert Wilkins with "Prodigal Son." Wilkins originally recorded the song in 1964 on Piedmont.

The Electric Circus in New York is now being renovated in order to better compete with the Fillmore East, which is having problems of its own. Along with a completely new interior, there will be a remote control light show over the center of the floor featuring 66 slide projectors. If it's done well, tickets could probably be sold for the lights alone.

Coming soon, on the Rolling Stones' TV special, is the super-group of all time - with Eric Clapton, John Lennon, and Keith Richard.

CAB hears fairness issue in airline youth plan dispute

The merits of airline youth fares were disputed at a hearing before the Civil Aeronautics Board last week in Washington. Airlines, student groups, and others argued for retention of the youth fares, in opposition to the Trailways bus system. The CAB has not yet issued a decision.

Several bus companies and a few airlines have opposed the reduced rates for three years, and a ruling by a CAB examiner January 21, upholding their view, led to last week's hearing.

The bus companies have argued that youth fares are unjustly discriminatory against persons over 21, and some

courts have agreed. This point was also supported by the examiner in his 83-page decision and was a primary object of contention last week.

American Airlines, who first introduced youth fares, supplied *The Tech* with a statement noting that "In the year ending June 30, 1968, more than five million youths saved some \$112,000,000 in transportation costs as a result of the fares," and "Youth fares presently account for almost six per cent of all domestic airline travel." Supporters in the industry also argue that revenue from standby ticket sales helps depress costs for all airline passengers.

Educational advantages for youth have been another point of supporters (Please turn to page 7)



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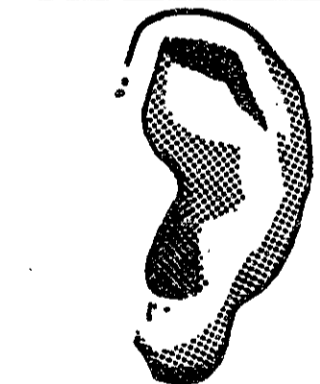
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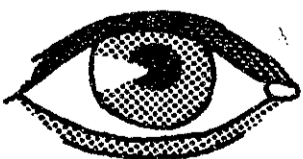
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- * All direct MIT telephone line access codes will be changed on March 29. The change in codes is necessitated by the need for more codes for such lines and additional numbers for telephone stations within the Institute. A copy of the changes will be distributed with the March 19 issue of Tech Talk.
- * Students who may apply to medical school should attend the Pre-Medical Society meeting, Thursday March 20, at 7:30 pm in Room 473 of the Student Center. Dean Wick, Chairman of the Pre-Med Advisory Committee, will discuss what students should know about the Medical Boards: recommendations, interviews, and how and where to apply.
- * There will be a meeting of the SCEP on Thursday March 18, at 7:30 pm in Room W20-400. The new Chairman will be elected at that time. All interested parties are invited to attend.
- * The MIT Nautical Association invites the local yachting community to a lecture on "Tuning Your Boat for Maximum Speed in the Coming Season" by Mr. Douglas MacGregor. The lecture will be held Wednesday March 19, at 8:30 pm in Room 6-120.
- * The Modern Man Society is presenting a talk by Morton Sobell, recently released from prison after serving 17 years for allegedly spying for the Russians. Mr. Sobell will speak on Wednesday March 19, at 8 pm in the Mezzanine Lounge of the Student Center.

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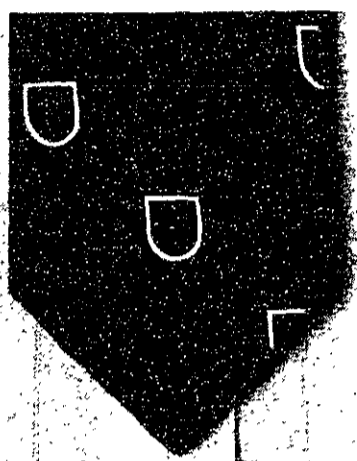
Youth fare debated Congress may act

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of the reduced fares. The National Student Association has stated, "In view of the educational, social, economic, and cultural benefits...the fares should not be cancelled." Campus Americans for Democratic Action and the National Student Marketing Corporation have joined in this viewpoint.

On Capitol Hill, Senator Charles Percy and several members of the House have introduced special measures authorizing the youth fares. The bills were introduced as amendments to the Federal Aviation Act of 1958.

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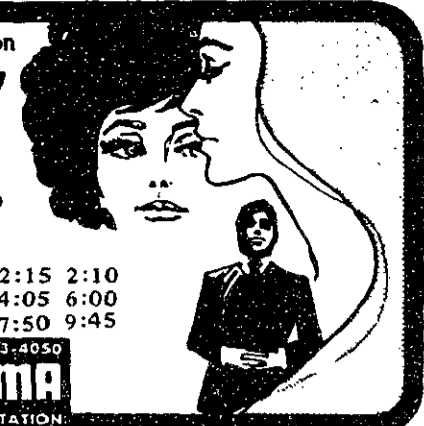
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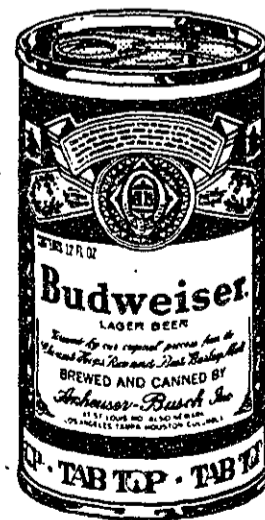
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Princeton cops IFA crown as Tech fencers finish last

By Dave Rapoport

Last weekend, the fencing team participated in the tough Eastern Intercollegiate Fencing Association championship in New York. Princeton carried off the three weapon crown for the first time in the school's history.

This time around, the engineers finished last of the thirteen teams represented. This was the first time this has happened in the last several years. However, several individual performances gave grounds for satisfaction and high hopes for improving the team's 5-7 dual meet record next year.

Bob Markey '69, whose erratic brilliance and unorthodox style have served him well throughout the season, won four of his first six bouts, but he was unable to maintain the pace. He ended in a tie for sixth place in the second pool with a 5-7 record.

Vince Fazio '70 finished in ninth place of the second pool of the epee division by turning in a record of five victories and seven defeats. The outstanding, and somewhat unexpected, performance of the day was turned in by Dave Rapoport '70. He copped fifth place in the second pool of the sabre section with a 7-5 record. In addition, he produced the only Tech victory over

archival Harvard.

In other results, Wally Miller '71 came away with a final mark of 2-7. He started out well by winning two of his first five bouts. These triumphs enabled MIT to topple the University of Pennsylvania, last year's sabre champions, 2-1.

Having just returned from an ankle injury which kept him out of action for two weeks, however, and being in seeded in the first and toughest pool, Miller was unable to sustain the momentum. John Sachs '71, who substituted for him, lost three bouts.

Peter Hwang '71 won three tough bouts against Army, Cornell, and Navy. The sabre section of the team placed twelfth, edging out Rutgers by two points.

In epee, Al Meclenberg '71 finished 3-9, Gus Benedicty '1-5, and Pat Boyd 0-5. MIT placed last in the epee division—three points behind Rutgers.

Captain Bob Gentala '69, who was handicapped by a difficult pool in foil where upsets are least likely, lost all twelve bouts. Pat Tam, who duelled in the third pool, ended 2-10. The foil team also took last two points behind Rutgers.

Mediocre season for thinclads

By Don Arkin

The indoor track team finished a slightly disappointing season with a 4-3 record. The team was supposed to have a chance to equal last year's excellent 6-2 record, but lack of depth prevented the thinclads from turning a number of close meets their way.

Actually, all the meets except the loss to a surprisingly well-prepared Tufts squad were very close. Many were still up in the air during the pole vault and the mile relay.

The thinclads had four top stars who could be counted on to take first in nearly every meet. They were Ben Wilson '70, Captain Bill McLeod '69, Larry Kelly '70, and Kirk Wings '71. Wilson is, of course, the best distance runner in MIT history. Two of his outstanding achievements this year were taking second in the New England, and setting a new record while winning the three-mile run at the NEAAU meet. His record time of 14:20.2 cut more than 15 seconds off the old record. Furthermore, by taking firsts in both the one- and two-mile runs in nearly every dual meet this season, he managed to pile up the high total of 63 points for the team. Between Wilson and Larry Petro '70, MIT had a very strong distance team.

Larry Kelly '70 was second on the team in scoring, with 50 points. Larry ran the 440, the mile relay, sprints, and, occasionally, the 600. Larry also picked up a second at the New England in the 50-yard dash.

Captain Bill McLeod teamed with Kelly to give Tech a strong sprint team to go with their distance contingent. McLeod also was a fine broad jumper, besides being a sprinter. Tech had a third good sprinter in Joel Hemmelsstein '70. These three men easily outscored opposing sprinters during the season.

The field events tended to be Tech's main weakness. However, besides McLeod in the broad jump, they had another consistent performer. Kirk Wings '71 upped his best height in the high jump to 6'3 3/4" during the season, and only missed winning his event twice. His dual meet record of five firsts and two seconds brought him fourth highest scoring honors on the team with 31 points. Kirk was also the third engineer to cop a second in the New England.

Coach Arthur Farnham occasionally

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IM sports

CP, NRSA in hockey finals

By George Novosielski

Chi Phi qualified for the dubious honor of meeting NRSA for the championship of the IM hockey tournament by edging SAE 4-3 in the loser's bracket finals. The loss, following two previous upset victories over Senior House and Theta Chi, ended SAE's cinderella bid for the hockey title.

The game was a see-saw affair with Chi Phi grabbing an early lead on a pair of markers by Jim Kirtley. SAE stormed back, however, to pull ahead 3-2 on the strength of single tallies by George Biehl '70, Bill Farrow, and Dick Sidell. A goal by John Yasaitis knotted the score for the Chi Phis and the game remained that way until Don Collins slapped a shot off Yasaitis' leg into the SAE net with only three minutes left to decide the contest.

Both teams were considerably tired at the end of the game after playing 15 minute periods, and this was reflected in the noticeable slow-down in the pace of the game in its later stages. The championship match will also have 15 minute periods and this should work to the advantage of the stronger and more experienced NRSA squad. Chi Phi's only loss this season came earlier in the tournament, a 3-0 blanking by the same NRSA team.

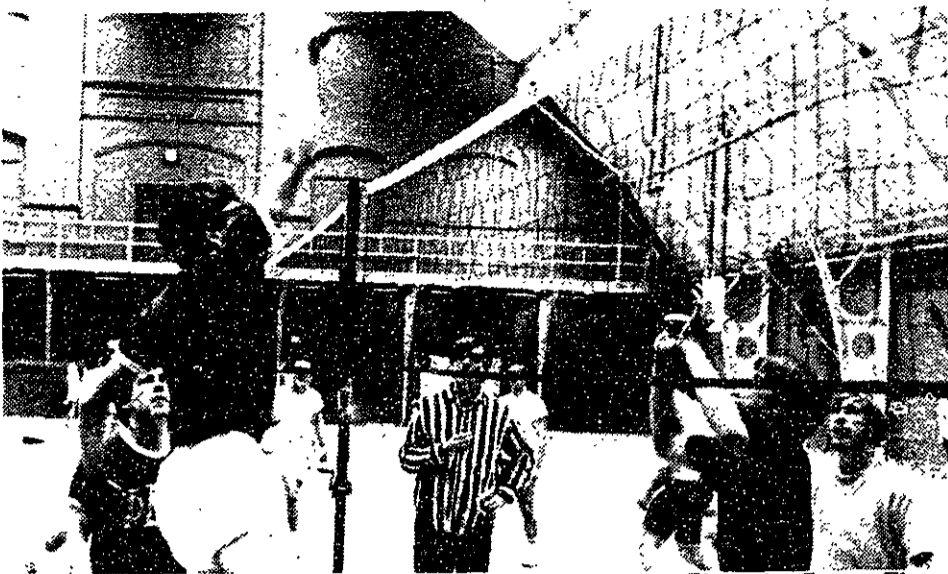


Photo by George Flynn

Rich Robinson '72 smashes the ball across the net in an intramural volleyball game last Sunday. Chi Phi dumped PBE 'B' 15-8, 15-5 in that match.

NRSA is definitely favored to capture the crown, especially due to the fact that Chi Phi has to defeat NRSA twice under the format of the double elimination set-up, while the favorites have to win only once.

Water Polo

Only two games have been played this far into the season. TEP blasted TDC 11-2, and Theta Xi downed ABT 8-5. In addition, the combined SAM-PLP team won by forfeit over East Campus, and a PGD-DKE game was rescheduled.

Water Polo is playing a very limited schedule of four or five matches a week, as extensive pool time is not available. Thus, each team will play only three, or possibly four, games before the start of the play-offs.

Bowling

Burton B. pulled into the lead of the IM bowling league with a total of 5150 points. Last week's leader, Bexley A., dropped down to the runner-up position with a 5036 score. East Campus A. ranked third, with a 5003 total. Don Haurin '71 heads the league with a 190 average. Second is Jeff Passel '69 (185), and tied for third are

Dilley sparks swimmers to fine season after poor start

By Ron Hollander

MIT may have to wait awhile for a swim team comparable to this year's. The 1968-69 season was marked by outstanding performances which resulted in broken records. It culminated in what Coach Batterman called "the finest performance MIT swimming has ever made" in the N.E.I.S.A.

Although the team's overall record of 9-4 (equalling last year's mark) was most respectable, things didn't point to such a rosy log after the first few meets. The mermen kicked off their campaign against RPI. Lee Dilly, graduating co-captain and the swimming story of the year, took two firsts in the meet including a new RPI pool record in the 200 yard freestyle as the engineers notched a 59-45 victory.

A "swimming slump" followed this initial win. A powerful UConn team downed Tech despite the efforts of sensational sophomore Al Grahm and Lee Dilly again. Grahm established a new varsity record in the 200 individual medley while Dilly equalled his own record time of 1:53.2 in the 200 yard freestyle.

In the next meet the engineers dropped a heartbreaker to Wesleyan, 48-47. Williams handed the engineers their third loss in a row in a 51-44 showing. The meet started well for Tech, however, with the 400 yard medley relay team of Grahm, Tom Nesbitt '69, Jim Bronfenbrenner, and Dilly setting a new record in that event at 3:51.8.

A Tech victory against Bowdoin stemmed the losing tide, but the joy was short-lived. Traditional powerhouse Springfield crushed Tech 67-37 in the ensuing meet.

Down with a 2-4 record and no place to go but up, the mermen put on a tremendous drive which brought them seven straight triumphs and carried them to a respectable New England showing. Bouncing back from the

Steve Colby '69 and Dave Anderson '69 at 183. A total of 4451 was needed to be in the top sixteen who will qualify for the post-season play-offs.

Table Tennis

Sixty-one teams are entered in IM table tennis. Teams consist of three men each, and they are playing Monday through Thursday nights. All games involving teams from the A league and from division B5 are to be played in Burton House; all remaining B league games will be played in Baker House— and all C league games are in the Armory.

The outing club is sponsoring a ski trip to Killington, Vermont on Saturday, March 22. The group will leave MIT at 6 am and return at 8 pm. The fee will be \$14.00. For information, call Dwight Davis X2866, 864-8750, or MITOC, X2988. Tickets will be on sale this week in the lobby of Bldg. 10. The bus will depart from the front of Kresge Auditorium.

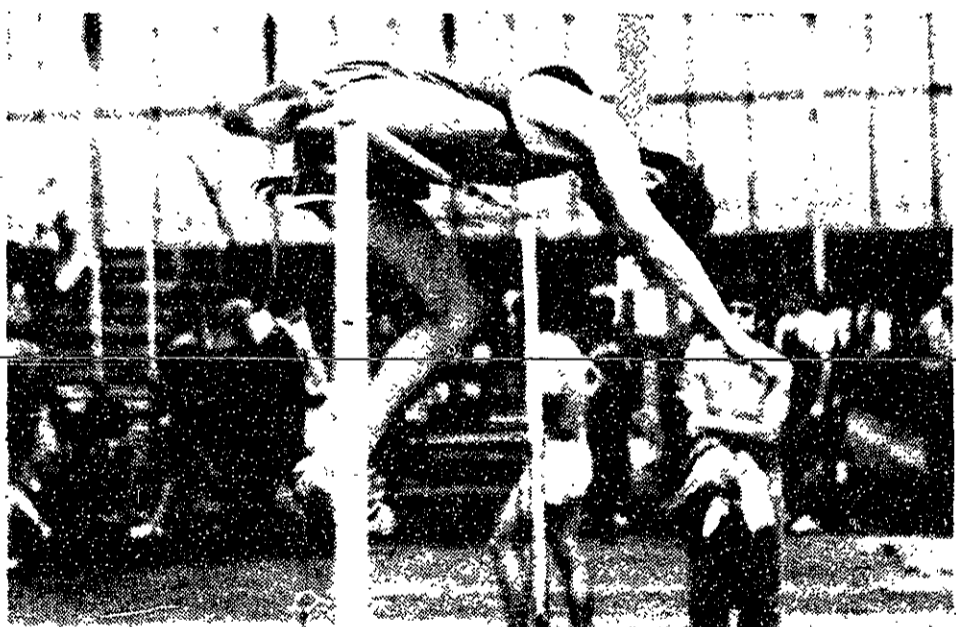


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Kirk Wings '71 clears the bar in an indoor track meet this season. Kirk played a major role in the production of the tracksters 4-3 record.

MIT Judo Club invited to Northeastern tournament

The MIT judo club was invited to the first annual Northeastern judo tournament along with 120 other New England area clubs and 44 teams. The field includes a mixture of collegiate and non-collegiate competitors. The tourney will be held on Sunday, March 30 at 12:30 pm at NU's Cabot Gym.

The United States Judo Federation and the Northeast division of the Amateur Athletic Union have both sanctioned the event. This meet will be a prelude to the Nationals which will take place in Newark on April 12.

The tournament is structured as a single elimination affair. Each squad presents a five man team which faces other five man teams. Every individual is seeded according to the team's strategy (the best player isn't necessarily seeded first), and he grapples with a correspondingly seeded player of the

opposing squad.

Each individual contest can be decided in a number of ways. If one man throws the other to the mat cleanly, he wins the match. If the throw is sloppy, then the thrower can claim the victory if he can control his opponent for a total of twenty-five seconds. However, if the fallen judo afficiando escapes and subsequently throws the original attacker cleanly to the mat, the decision is reversed.

A judge determines whether a throw is clean or sloppy. After a clean throw he calls out "ippon" while after a sloppy one he yells "waza-ari". In the event neither contestant has hit the mat under the three minute time limit, the judge awards the match to the player who in the judge's opinion has most dominated the play.

Springfield loss, Tech squashed Trinity 55-39 and did the same to Tufts 58-37 to even the season record at 4-4.

Against relatively weak teams from NYU and Fordham two more wins followed by scores of 67-44 and 63-41 respectively. The engineers took eight firsts in the latter meet.

Brown was an even easier opponent as the Rhode Islanders fell by a 61-25 score. A 61-30 clobbering of Holy Cross followed. In the HC meet Dilly set a new record in the 500 yard freestyle topping the old mark by eleven seconds.

UMass had the honor of being the final victim of the Tech rampage as the Redmen went down 62-32. Dilly was again incredible as he had his hand in three firsts and a new record in the 200 yard freestyle.

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